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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:



In response to the Office Action mailed on January 16, 2002, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

In the Claims

Please amend claims 1-28 as follows:

1. (Once Amended) A window decoration in the form of a horizontal or vertical slatted blind that is capable of providing sun protection, the window decoration, when brought into a condition ready for use, comprises a first face extending in a horizontal direction over substantially the full width of the window decoration and a second face extending in the horizontal direction of the window decoration, the first face transmitting substantially no incident light, the second face subduing the incident light in such a manner that a person present at his workplace in an inner space provided with the window decoration can still look outside through the second face, the first face being located above the second face.
2. (Once Amended) A window decoration in the form of a pleated blind that is capable of providing sun protection, comprising an upper box and a lower beam, while between the upper